

**IN THE CLAIMS**

1. (currently amended) A method for opiate detoxification comprising administering in a single dose an opioid antagonist—selected from the group consisting of naloxone and nalmeferne HCl. ~~at a rate greater than 0.4 mg/kg/hr.~~

2. (canceled)

3. (canceled)

4. (currently amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising simultaneously administering ~~Precedex~~ dextromedetomidine HCl at a rate greater than or equal to 1.5 mg/kg/hr.

5. (currently amended) The method of claim 1 wherein said amount of said opioid antagonist is administered in ~~a single dosage of 50 mg.~~

Claims 6-12 (canceled)

13. (currently amended) A method for detoxifying a patient addicted to an opiate, comprising:

anesthetizing the patient; and

administering in a single dose an opioid antagonist selected from the group consisting of Nnaloxone and nalmeferne HCl, Revex at a rate of at least 0.6 mg/kg/hr. wherein an amount of said opioid antagonist administered ranges from 0.6mg/kg to 1.4mg/kg for naloxone and about 0.3mg/kg for nalmeferne HCl.

14. (currently amended) The method of claim 13 further comprising simultaneously administering dextromedetomidine HCl ~~Precedex~~ at a rate of at least 1.5 mg/kg/hr.

15. (currently amended) The method of claim ~~13~~ 29 further comprising ~~—stopping said administering of said opiod antagonist and giving—~~ administering nalmeferne HCl to the patient. ~~Revex.~~

16. (currently amended) The method of claim 15, ~~further comprising giving wherein~~ 8 mg of said nalmefene HCl ~~Revex~~ is administered to the patient.

17. (currently amended) The method of claim 13 further comprising intubating the patient prior to said administering of an opioid antagonist.

18. (currently amended) The method of claim 13 further comprising giving Valium~~diazepam~~, ~~Xanax~~alprazolam and Tt~~Traze~~done orally prior to anesthetizing the patient.

19. (currently amended) The method of claim 13 further comprising giving the patient antiemetics and antiperistaltic agents prior to administering an opioid antagonist.

20. (currently amended) The method of claim 13 further comprising giving the patient an antihistamine agent prior to administering said opioid antagonist.

21. (canceled)

22. (currently amended) A process for opiate dependency detoxification, comprising:

anesthetizing a patient;

intubating the patient;

stabilizing the cardiovascular activity of the patient; and

administering in a single dose an opioid antagonist selected from the group consisting of ~~Naloxone~~naloxone and nalmefene HCl, wherein an amount of said opioid antagonist administered is based on the subject's weight and ranges from 0.6mg/kg to 1.4mg/kg for naloxone and about 0.3mg/kg for nalmefene HCl. ~~Revex to the patient at a rate greater than 0.6 mg/kg/hr.~~

23. (currently amended) The method of claim 22 further comprising giving Valium~~diazepam~~, ~~Xanax~~alprazolam and Tt~~Traze~~done orally prior to anesthetizing the patient.

24. (currently amended) The method of claim 22 further comprising giving the patient antiemetics and antiperistaltic agents prior to administering an opioid antagonist.

25. (currently amended) The method of claim 22 wherein anesthetizing a patient comprises giving the patient ~~Valium~~diazepam, ~~Xanax~~alprazolam and ~~Tt~~trazodone by mouth.

26. (currently amended) The method of claim 22 wherein stabilizing the cardiovascular activity of the patient comprises administering and titrating ~~Precedex~~dextrometomidine HCl to the patient.

27. (currently amended) The method of claim 22—30 further comprising giving 8 mg of ~~Revex~~nalmeferne HCl to the patient.

28. (currently amended) The method of claim 22 further comprising giving the patient an antihistamine agent prior to administering said opioid antagonist.

29. (new) The method of claim 13, wherein said opioid antagonist is naloxone.

30. (new) The method of claim 22, wherein said opioid antagonist is naloxone.

31. (new) The method of claim 1, wherein an amount of said opioid antagonist is greater than or equal to 0.6mg/kg for naloxone and about 0.3mg/kg for nalmeferne HCl.